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INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-2

TAGS: ASEC PINS

SUBJECT: MARINE POST AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

REF: A. BEIRUT 10418 B. BEIRUT 10494

1. I HAVE JUST COME BACK FROM A DAY-LONG TRIP AND HAVE ONLY TODAY SEEN REF A. I AM SURPRISED TO FIND RECOMMENDATION CONTAINED REFTEL BEING MADE BY A RSS WHO HAS NOT YET EVEN BEEN IN CAIRO. I FIND IT EVEN MORE IRONIC THAT ON THE VERY SAME DAY A MESSAGE WAS SENT FROM BEIRUT BY CODEL WYATT (REF B), ENTIRELY ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE, EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT THE AMBASSADOR'S SECURITY.

2. THERE IS NO QUESTION IN MY MIND THAT A PERMANENT MARINE POST AT THE EMBASSY RESIDENCE IS DESIRABLE. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO THEM, THE FACT THAT EGYPTIAN SECURITY MEN ARE ALSO GUARDING IT MEANS VERY LITTLE. SINCE MARINE GUARD POSTED THERE ON AUGUST 26, HE HAS MORE THAN ONCE MADE THE ROUNDS AND HAD TO AWAKEN EGYPTIAN GUARDS. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES I DISAGREE TOTALLY AND COMPLETELY WITH RSS'S COMMENT AND SUGGEST WE ON THE SPOT ARE BETTER ABLE TO ASSESS THE NATURE OF SECURITY THREAT THAN IS RSS IN BEIRUT.

3. RSS IS, OF COURSE, CORRECT THAT AMBASSADOR IS
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EXPOSED DAILY IN CONNECTION WITH OBLIGATIONS, BUT THIS

DOES NOT VITIATE THE NEED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY
AT ONE OF THE MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENCES WE HAVE IN
THE ARAB WORLD.
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